GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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MODERNISATION OF POLICE FORCES IN RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total funds provided by the Union Government to Government of Rajasthan during the tenth five year plan for the reorganization and modernization of police force;

(b) whether the Government of Rajasthan has achieved the target by fully utilizing the funds during the said plan;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government of Rajasthan has requested for additional financial assistance from the Union Government for modernisation and reorganization of police force in the State;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the action taken by the Government in this matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (f): Central assistance is provided to States under the Non-plan Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF Scheme) to strengthen and modernize their police forces.Funds are released to the State Government on the basis of Annual Action Plan under MPF Scheme received from the State and approved by the Ministry.Under this Scheme,funds have been provided to the State of Rajasthan during the period 2002-03 to 2006-07 for strengthening/modernizing its police forces, broadly covering the above mentioned areas, including for desert policing (which became effect from 2005-06). The details of Central funds released to Rajasthan during the period under the MPF Scheme are as under:
(Rs. in crore) Year Total Central funds released Utilization reported by the State

2002-03 16.17 16.17

2003-04 43.10 43.08

2004-05 42.67 42.58

2005-06 34.81 34.80

2006-07 40.47 38.95
During the last financial year 2007-08, out of Central allocation of Rs.40.00 crore to Rajasthan under the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF), an amount of Rs.39.57 crore was released to the State, after deducting the unspent amount pertaining to previous years, i.e. up to 2005-06 which remained unutilized with the State Government.

Besides the normal Central allocation of funds under the MPF Scheme to Rajasthan during 2007-08, an additional amount of Rs.10.03 crore was also released to the State during the same period for modernization of police forces.